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Dear Pansa,

I am most grateful for your thoughtful letter of congratulations on my new assignment. While I am grateful for the trust and challenge which has been offered, I left my post as CINCSOUTH with very mixed emotions. The opportunity to work in behalf of the solidarity and strength of our Southern Region was a high point of my career; and the good fortune to associate in combined effort and in friendship with leaders such as yourself was most rewarding.

I'm sorry you were unable to attend the Change of Command ceremony. As you can imagine, as fast as things were happening, I almost didn't make it myself!

As a former resident of Naples, I would like to express to you, a Neapolitan, my best wishes for your city. Pat and I left Italy with many fond memories of our all too short stay there. We will particularly always remember the beautiful view of the Bay of Naples from our Villa Nike and the many close friends we made.

I look forward to seeing you again. If your travels bring you to Washington, please call and let's get together.

Again, many thanks and all the best.

Yours,

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